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**ABSTRACTS OF VIRGINIA LAND PATENTS.**

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(482) JOHN GOOKIN, gent., [I] 350 acres in the Upper County of New Norfolk, beginning at a point called Mossey Point, and bounded on the west by the Nansemond River. Due for the transportation of seven persons: Thomas Box, Jun., Peter Norman, Mary Norman, Jon. Butler, John Burder, Robert Hodges, Walter Carpenter. By Harvey, May 23d, 1637.

NOTE.

[I] On June 16, 1642, John Gookin, Esq., was commissioned commander of Lower Norfolk County. There is on record a letter dated June 1st, 1642, from Sarah Gookin, of Lower Norfolk, late wife and relict of Captain Adam Thoroughgood. On No. 20, 1647, was recorded the marriage bond of Francis Yardley and Sarah Gookin. In 1639 Captain John Gookin was Burgess for Upper Norfolk. Captain Gookin had one child, Mary, who married (I) William Moseley; and (II) Anthony Lawson.

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(485) RICHARD BELL and CHRISTOPHER LAWSON, 500 acres in the county of James City, beginning at a little Indian field, lying over against the land of John Demsey. Due 200, purchased by Richard Bell from Alexander Homer, and 50 acres from Thomas Taylor (due Taylor for his own personal adventure), and 250 acres due said Lawson for the transportation of five persons, William Reynolds, William Coyle, Roger Andrewes, Anthony ———, Ann Drawater. By Harvey, May 23d 1637.

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(484) THEODORE MOYSES, 2,000 acres in the county of James City, on Tanks Pasbye hayes Creek, running two miles northwest into the woods, and abutting on the Chickahominy River. Due for the transportation of forty persons (names below.) By Harvey, May 23d, 1637.

John Wotton, Frances Latner, William Foster, Edward Tenckes, Alice Fuller, Jon. Eles, Jon. Ferepoint, Richard Gun-

ny, Thomas Wakefield, Arthur Patient, Jon. Winchester, Edward Bremton, Richard Thorneton, Joanna Michells, Richard Cocke, William Drummond, Francis Edsome, Francis Turner, Robert Roles, George Boles, Robert Grant, William Hawkins, Henry Bradshaw, Richard Weston, Lewis Abshire, Ann Belsome, Jon. Cooke, Robert Asten, Audrey Garrett, Katherine Hockwell, Edward Brinton, Thomas Monday, Richard Edwards, William Pinnock, Jon. Hacock, William Baker, William Griffin, William Smith, Thomas Cragg, Edward Simpson.

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(485) THOMAS SYMONS, 100 acres in the county of Charles River, 50 upon a creek near adjoining the land of Humphrey Loyd, and 50 lying near the land of Thomas Raye; bounded on the north east by a "sedgie creek," and on the south east by a "pynie swamp." Due for the transportation of his wife, Alice Robins, and one servant, Richard Key. By Harvey, May 23d, 1637.

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(486) JOHN BURNETT, 150 acres in the Upper County of New Norfolk, adjoining a place called Mossey Point, belonging to John Gookin, gent. Due for the transportation of three persons: Edward Morgan, John London and William Pursent. By Harvey, May 23d, 1637.

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(487) ROGER SYMONS, 50 acres in the county of Charles River, abutting upon the plantation of Oxford, and bounded on the South by the Old Poquoson River. Due for his own personal adventure. By Harvey, May 23d, 1637.

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(488) GEORGE UNWIN, 250 acres in the County of James City, on Checkros Creek, and bounded on the west by a "great deepe swampe," and on the north by the sunken marshe. Due for the transportation of his wife Katherine, daughters Katherine and Elizabeth, and two servants, William Weth and Dorcas Wound. By Harvey, May 25, 1637.

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(489) THOMAS PAULE, 350 acres in James City county on a great deep swamp on Chickahominy River, and bounded on the west by Pagan Creek. Due: 100 for the personal adventure of

his late father Francis Paule, as an ancient planter in the time of Sir Thomas Dale; 50 for the personal adventure of his Mother Mathew Paule; 50 for his own personal adventure, and 50 for the personal adventure of his sister Frances Paule. By Harvey, May 25, 1637.

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(490) JOHN DANSEY, 100 acres in James City County, on Tanks Pasbye hayes Creek. Due for the transportation of two persons. By Harvey, May 25, 1637.

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(491) PETER REY and WILLIAM JACOB, 350 acres in Isle of Wight county, at the head of New Towne haven, next adjoining the land of Edward Rogers, and bound north west by the river, and on south east by a branch of the said river called New Towne haven. Due: 100 for the personal adventure of the said Peter Rey and Margaret, his wife, and 50 for the transportation of their son, Henry Rey; and 100 by assignment from James Pointeau (to whom it was due for the transportation of himself and Anthony Lefurrier), and 100 for the personal adventure of the said William Jacob and the transportation of one servant, Samuel Hicks. By Harvey, May 25, 1637.

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(492) WILLIAM WILKINSON, CLARKE, 700 acres in the lower county of New Norfolke, within Lynhaven, commonly called Chesepeian river, upon a creek; bounded on the west by the land of Captain Adam Thoroughgood. Due as follows (vizt.): 300 acres by assignment from Robert Newkerke, dated Oct. 3d, 1635 (which land was due to said Newkerke as follows: 50 acres for his own personal adventure, and 150 for the transportation of three persons). The other 500 due as follows (vizt.): 50 for the personal adventure of said Wm. Wilkinson, 50 for the personal adventure of his wife, Naomy, and 400 for the transportation of eight persons. By Harvey, May 25, 1637.

Head rights: Mr. William Wilkinson, Mrs. Naomy Wilkinson, Edward Pearse, Hugh Jones, Martha Deacon, Thomas Crafton, Daniell Baker, John Boodes, John Johnson, Robert Newkerke, Robert Laughton, John Goodwin, Thomas Preston.

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(493) WILLIAM DENHAM, 300 acres in the county of Isle of

Wight, about three miles up the river called New Town Haven, adjoining the land of Thomas Jordon. Due for the transportation of six persons (names not given). By Harvey, May 25, 1637.

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(494) RICHARD MILLTON, 75 acres at Westover, in the county Charles City, bounded on the south by the river, on the east by the land of John Clay, and on the west by the land of William Thompson, which land is half of a plantation formerly belonging to John Davis, and John Clay, in equal proportions, with "all buildings and houseings thereupon," and sold by said Davis and Clay to Thomas Stegg, merchant, [1] who sold to Millton "by deed upon record" [2]. By Harvey, May 26, 1637.

#### NOTES.

[1] Thomas Stagg or Stegg was long one of the leading merchants of the Colony, and was resident sometimes in England and sometimes in the Colony. He was Burgess for Charles City, and Speaker of the House at the session of March, 1642-3 (*Henning*). On June 3d, 1650, in the commission issued by the King from Breda, he was appointed a member of the Virginia Council (*Cal. Eng. Col. State Papers, Vol. I*); but was evidently friendly to the Parliament, for in Aug., 1651, he was appointed one of the commissioners sent to reduce Virginia and Maryland. He embarked on the frigate John, and was lost at sea, together with Captain Dennis, another commissioner (*Ibid*). The will of Thos. Stegg was dated Oct. 6, 1651, and proved July 14, 1652. By it he bequeathed most of his estate to his wife Elizabeth, and his two children, his daughter Grace, wife of John Byrd, citizen and goldsmith, of London, and his son Thomas Stegg, of Virginia. The will of the latter, who at the time of his death was member of the Council, and Auditor-General of Virginia, was dated March 31, 1669-70, and proved May 15, 1671. He left portions of his estate to his wife Sarah, and mother Elizabeth, then the wife of Thomas Grendon, of London, and to his sister, Grace Byrd; and the rest of his property in England and Virginia, to his nephew William, son of John and Grace Byrd.

[2] This was an early instance of the recordation of conveyances of land in Virginia.